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Arizona Early Childhood Development & Health Board

Yuma Regional Partnership Council Meeting

Meeting Minutes

Welcome/Introductions/Call to Order

The regular meeting of the First Things First-Yuma Regional Partnership Council was held on May 17, 2012, 4:35 p.m. at Regional Center for Border Health, 214 W. Main Street, Somerton, AZ 85350.

Chair Hawkins called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m.

Members Present:

Chair Darren Hawkins
Vice Chair Irene Garza
Council Member Gloria Cisneros
Council Member Kim Fanning
Council Member Mary Beth Turner
Council Member Dr. Mario Ybarra
Council Member Rebecca Ramirez present via conference call
Council Member Pilar Moreno present via conference call
Council Member Ricardo Perez present via conference call

Members Absent:

Council Member Laurie Gail Senko
Council Member Judy Watkinson

Consent Agenda

The items on the consent agenda included the minutes of the March 15, 2012, Yuma Regional Partnership Council regular meeting and minutes of the May 3, 2012 special meeting. A motion was made by Member Turner to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Vice Chair Garza and the motion carried by a unanimous vote by all members present.

Conflict of Interest

Chair Hawkins provided the Council with an opportunity to declare any conflict of interest regarding items on the agenda. None declared.

Grantee Renewals FY2013-2014

The Regional Council discussed and reviewed grantee renewals for FY2013-2014.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Garza that the Yuma Regional Partnership Council approve the renewal of Southwest Human Development, Inclusion of Children with Special Needs Strategy, Contract #GRA-RC023-11-0239-01-Y2, seconded by Member Fanning and the motion carried by a unanimous vote by all members present.

A motion was made by Member Turner that the Yuma Regional Partnership Council approve the renewal of the University of Arizona Yuma Cooperative Extension, Oral Health Strategy, Contract #ISA-RC023-12-0377-01, seconded by Member Dr. Ybarra and the motion carried by a unanimous vote by all members present.

Call to the Public

Without objection, the Chair moved the call to the public up in the agenda, as several council members had questions relevant to this grant.

Kim Flack, Associate General Manager, Eight, Arizona PBS-Educational Outreach, provided a brief update on the program and workshops.

Grantee Renewals FY2013-2014

The Regional Council took the following actions on the remainder of the renewals:

A motion was made by Member Dr. Ybarra that the Yuma Regional Partnership Council approve the renewal of the Arizona Board of Regents for and on Behalf of Arizona State University for Eight, PBS, Community based – Literacy Strategy, Contract #GRA-RC023-12-0421-01, seconded by Member Perez and the motion carried by a unanimous vote by all members present.

A motion was made by Member Fanning that the Yuma Regional Partnership Council approve the renewal of the Easter Seals Blake Foundation, Family Support Children with Special Needs Strategy, Contract #FTF-RC023-11-0312-02-Y3, seconded by Vice Chair Garza and the motion carried by a majority vote by all members present with Member Ybarra abstaining.

A motion was made by Member Turner that the Yuma Regional Partnership Council approve the renewal of the Yuma Community Food Bank, Food security Strategy, Contract #GRA-RC023-12-0313-01, seconded by Member Moreno and the motion carried by a unanimous vote by all members present.

A motion was made by Member Dr. Ybarra that the Yuma Regional Partnership Council approve the renewal of the Child & Family Resources, Inc., Home Visitation Healthy Families strategy, Contract # FTF-RC023-11-0308-01-Y2, seconded by Member Perez and the motion carried by a unanimous vote by all members present.

Government Grant Approval

It was the consensus of the Regional Council to table agenda item #5, Government Grant Approval for the June 21, 2012 Regional Council meeting.

Oral Health Update

Amy Parrot, Megan McNeece and Emilia Cortez, University of Arizona Yuma Cooperative Extension Representatives, provided a brief update on the First Smiles program.

Applied Survey Research Needs & Assets Update

Laura Connery and Abbie Stevens, Applied Survey Research Representatives informed the Regional Council a draft of the Needs & Assets Assessment Report will be provided to the Regional Council for review by the June 21, 2012 meeting. It is the intent of Applied Survey Research to have the final document available by August 9, 2012.

Regional Director's Report

- a) Update on Council Interviews: State Board will review and act upon the recommended applicants to the Regional Council at the June 11-12, 2012 board meeting.
- b) Update on RFGA's: Review Committee Recommendations will voted by State Board at the June 11-12, 2012 board meeting. No Applications were received for RFGA Community Based Professional Development Early Childhood Education. Reviews for RFGA Family Friend and Neighbor and RFGA Reach Out and Reach are pending.
- c) Regional Forum on First Things First Benchmarks: The forum is scheduled on June 6, 2012, 1:30pm, Cocopah Community Center, followed by the Cocopah Tribe Regional Partnership Council regular meeting. Council Members were encouraged to attend.

Community Outreach Report

Nena Garcia, Community Outreach Coordinator, reported on her recruitment of champions and the presentations she has made throughout the community with focus on the military families.

Announcements

None

Next Meeting

The next regular meeting of the Yuma Regional Partnership Council is scheduled for June 21, 2012, 4:30 p.m., Yuma Police Department, 1500 S. First Avenue, Yuma, AZ 85364.

Adjourn

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 6:32 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:

Marie Megui, Administrative Assistant III

APPROVED BY:

Rev. Darren Hawkins, Yuma Regional Partnership Council Chair

June 21, 2012